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Dear Sir or Ms.

I strongly urge you to leave the rules as they are. The networks are proposing to change the rules because they say some pro-life ads are too graphic. They are no more graphic than many cop and rescue programs. What they are proposing amounts to censorship.

Sincerely
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WAGA claimed that they were acting in the public interest by not allowing this advertising to be shown during certain hours. They claimed that the nature of the material was indecent and could harm children. I believe that WAGA merely chose not to air political advertising with which they disagreed. This station, its network (CBS) and other local stations routinely show material that by far outshadow any indecency depicted in the Becker ad. I know this because another, smaller, station did show the Becker ads.

I believe that WAGA has no right to arbitrarily determine what time slots are appropriate for political advertisements that they disagree with. WAGA would claim they have the "right" to air the violence and other objectionable programming that they routinely show during "Prime Time". If they claim this right, then they have the obligation to show the truth especially as it was depicted in the Becker ads.

If WAGA is allowed the "right" to channel material that, while not indecent, may be otherwise harmful to children, they will only use this as an excuse to avoid controversial (but truthful) ads such as these. They will not use it in the public good and remove the mind numbing Saturday morning show-length commercials called "cartoons". WAGA has already demonstrated that they are selective in their definition of "harmful to children".

Secondly, abortion was an important issue in the political arena during these past elections. WAGA used their station in a way that influenced the outcome of the elections by not showing these politically relevant ads.

WAGA violated the law, I do not think that they should be let off the hook for this.

Sincerely,



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